

Fairchild AFB

Environmental Policy Statement August 2013



Fairchild Air Force Base is committed to a policy of excellence in all four pillars of environmental stewardship: Compliance, Pollution Prevention, Protecting Natural and Cultural Resources, and Restoration. We have consistently gone beyond mere compliance with federal, state, and local laws and insisted on maximum protection for human health, natural resources, and the environment. We are proud to have developed a reputation for first-class environmental practices and the collaborative implementation of environmental standards throughout all aspects of base activities. To maintain this tradition, the men and women of Fairchild will continue to:

- Maintain an effective Environmental Management System, promote the use of safe technologies and operation practices, and remain ready to respond to emergencies in order to improve our environmental performance and minimize adverse impacts to installation workers, their families, and the environment.
- Set environmental goals, measure progress, take corrective action when necessary, and communicate results and other environmental information regarding the installation's operations and its environmental accomplishments to workers, the community, suppliers, regulators, and the public.
- Investigate and evaluate new and innovative technologies and practices as appropriate, establish and implement an effective pollution prevention program, minimize the generation of wastes, recycle materials otherwise destined to become waste when possible, and dispose of any remaining wastes in an environmentally responsible manner.
- Ensure the responsible use of energy throughout the installation, including the adoption of innovative practices and procedures that will conserve energy and improve energy efficiency.
- Sustain, restore, and modernize the natural infrastructure while protecting against any encroachment that impacts the natural infrastructure resources that support our mission.



It is incumbent upon everyone in the Fairchild community to fulfill the obligations set forth in this policy statement to the utmost of their abilities in accordance with their roles and responsibilities on the base. This policy, as set forth and supported by all members of the Team Fairchild Environment, Safety, and Occupational Health Council (ESOHC), will be reviewed annually and updated as necessary. The ESOHC will also ensure that these expectations are clearly explained to all base personnel.

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